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Department of Conservation & Natural Resources

DIVISION OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

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Notice of Proposed Action

August 23, 2007

The Administrator, Division of Environmental Protection, Carson City, Nevada is issuing the following notice of proposed action under the Nevada Revised Statutes and the Clean Water Act. The Administrator has received an application for a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit, NV0023141, from the following applicant:

SBEHG Las Vegas I, LLC
dba Sahara Hotel and Casino
2535 Las Vegas Boulevard South
Las Vegas, Nevada 89109

The Applicant proposes to continue to discharge a daily maximum of 0.2304 million gallons per day (MGD) of treated groundwater produced by dewatering at the Sahara Hotel and Casino, 2535 Las Vegas Boulevard South, Las Vegas. NV0023141 was first issued to Gordon Gaming Corporation in May 2001. The pumped groundwater is treated in a granulated activated carbon adsorption system to remove volatile organic compounds from an off-site plume. A small volume of stormwater may also be processed through the system. The Applicant discharges to the Las Vegas Wash via the Clark County Stormdrain System and the Flamingo Wash. Monitoring will continue to be required to ensure that the Wash is not degraded by the discharge.

On the basis of preliminary review of the requirements of the Nevada Revised Statutes, as amended, and implementing regulations, the Administrator proposes to issue Permit NV0023141 to discharge for a five (5) year period, subject to certain effluent limitations.

Persons wishing to comment upon or object to the proposed determinations by the Administrator regarding permit issuance, or request a hearing pursuant to the NAC, Water Pollution Control, should submit their comments or request, in writing, within thirty (30) days of the date of newspaper publication, hand delivered or postmarked no later than 5:00 P.M. on September 22, 2007, either in person or by mail to:

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Bureau of Water Pollution Control
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The request must be filed within the comment period and must indicate the interest of the person filing the request and the reasons why a hearing is warranted. All comments or objections received within the thirty (30) day period will be considered in the formulation of final determination(s) regarding the application. If written comments indicate a significant degree of public interest in the proposed permit, the Administrator shall hold a public hearing. A public notice of such hearing will be issued not less than thirty (30) days prior to the hearing date.

If no hearing is held and the determinations of the Administrator are substantially changed from the tentative determinations, the Administrator will give public notice of the revised determinations. Additional comments and objections will be considered at that time.

The application, proposed permit, comments received, and other information are on file and may be copied or copies may be obtained by writing to the above address or by contacting Bruce Holmgren, Bureau of Water Pollution Control, at (775) 687-9423 or at bholmgre@ndep.nv.gov. The office facsimile number is (775) 687-4684. For further information, the fact sheet for this project can be viewed at the following website: <http://ndep.nv.gov/admin/public.htm>.